

## ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM MANY STATES

Important News Gathered from Abroad for the Benefit of Our Readers.

The court of Appeals holds that the law against the sale, barter or loan of intoxicating liquors does not forbid giving them away.

The New York State convention went solid for Taft. Senator Root championed the party's platform and supported the Administration's policy in a ringing speech.

Representative Bulkley, of Ohio, introduced a bill for the coinage of 2 cent pieces with a hole in the middle, designed especially for use where 3 cent street car fares are in vogue.

Representative Oille James is reported as regarding the large majority for Speaker Clark in Illinois as the beginning of a landslide that will result in an easy victory for the Speaker in the Baltimore convention.

Mexican bandits held up a train Saturday looted it, killed two and injured several others. One of the murdered ones was an American, who, when he failed to produce a large amount of money, was shot in the mouth.

Twenty-five cents in what his campaign for Congress from the Third Pennsylvania district cost Dr. Moses Stearns, of Philadelphia, according to a statement he filed with the clerk of the House of Representatives yesterday.

New York, April 12.—Maj. Gen. Frederick D. Grant, son of the famous general of the Civil War, and himself commander of the Department of the East, died at the Hotel Buckingham in this city at about 12:40 o'clock this morning.

When Charles P. Taft, brother of the President, sent a messenger from the White House for a transcript of the record in the Maj. B. H. Roy case, a few days ago, Chairman Helm, of the committee, considered having him summoned as a witness but refrained because of anticipation of the cry of "politics."

Compiled figures from the primaries of Tuesday in Illinois give Clark a majority of 149,000 over Wilson; Roosevelt's majority over Taft, 115,000; Sherman's majority over Cullom for Senator, 25,000. Deussen has a plurality for Governor of 75,000, while Edward J. Dunne procured the Democratic nomination for Governor by about 40,000.

The Hazard Herald closes an item about the killing of a man named Russell, by a drunken gang in that county, as follows:

"The cause of the trouble is stated to be one of long standing—dating sometime back—but back of it all is the same old story, the pro-

duction of the old moonshine still and a rowdy drunken set of men. Zach and Ferris Combs are in jail, while Sheriff Horn is in hot pursuit of the others. The saddest part of the story is, that Russell leaves a wife and four children."

And still they tell us "whisky is a good thing," and "if you leave it alone it will leave you alone," both of which sentences are as false as their author—the Devil.

The State Board of Valuations and Assessment of Kentucky yesterday made public its assessment of utility corporations, increasing the valuations of railroads and other corporations \$137,000,000 over the 1911 assessment. It is claimed on this assessment the State will collect \$700,000 more revenue than under the old assessment.

In the south eastern part of Clark county are the remains of the last Indian town in Kentucky and the oldest historical town site in the State. Locally it is known as the Goff mound and circle and the place of its location as Indian Old Fields. This town occupies a definite place in history although it has never received the recognition it deserved.

Judge O'Rear, defeated nominee for Governor, was given no voice in the Republican State convention in Louisville Thursday and failed to be sent to Chicago as a delegate. The Taft majority was in the saddle and put its slate through. E. T. Franks is the new chairman of the State Committee and J. W. McCulloch is the new National Committeeman. The Roosevelt delegates will make a protest at Chicago.

Washington, April 12.—Miss Clara Barton, founder of the American Red Cross Society, died at her home in Glen Echo, Md., at 9 o'clock this morning. The cause of her death was chronic pneumonia, with which she was stricken about a year ago. Her brother, Stephen Barton, of Boston, was with her when she died.

Miss Barton was born at Oxford, Mass., in 1821.

Lexington, Ky., April 12.—The new model school for which the corner-stone was laid last fall was last night at a meeting of the School Board named the Abraham Lincoln School. This name was adopted upon the request of Mrs. Desha Breckinridge, who had been the chief promoter in securing the subscriptions to construct the building. Robert L. Lincoln, Mrs. Ogden Armour, J. B. Haggin, James R. Keese and a large number of other persons not residents of this city were large subscribers to the fund. The name was adopted last night without a dissenting vote. Miss Linda Neville,

a member of the board, who was in favor of calling it the Madeline Breckinridge School, in honor of Mrs. Desha Breckinridge, did not vote. The main room of the building, which will be used for the auditorium, kindergarten and gymnasium, will be named in honor of the late Mayor Henry C. McDowell, Mrs. Breckinridge's father.

Dr. T. D. Kelly was elected a member of the school Board to succeed Dr. George P. Sprague, who resigned recently.

Nowate, Okla., April 11.—Decoyed from her home here or abducted and forced to accompany her captors to a lonely spot a mile north of the city, Mrs. Irene Goheen, 26 years old, a newspaper solicitor and wife of a traveling salesman, was beaten to death with stones Monday night. Her body was found today by a hunter. The police have no clues.

Pittsburgh, April 12.—A steel crane being operated by John Magee at a marble plant in the Hazelwood district, of this city, this afternoon came in contact with a highly-charged electric wire, and Magee was killed instantly. A shower of sparks rose from the body as it lay across the machine, and John Feeney, a laborer, sprang forward in the hope of saving it. He received the full force of the current and was killed. Patrick Tool, another workman at the crane, was burned badly, but physicians expect him to recover.

Glasgow, Ky., April 12.—When John Shackelford, a negro, aged eighty-two years, left his home this morning to go to his work, his family consisted of only himself and wife. When he returned to dinner two guests had arrived, the stock having visited the home and left two boys. The mother, who is forty-five years of age, is delighted, and the father is beside himself with joy. He is believed to be the oldest parent in Kentucky.

New York, April 12.—For half an hour this afternoon an ambulance surgeon, a policeman and half a dozen other men searched the steps and street below the elevated station at Thirty-fourth street ferry for the tip of a woman's nose, which had been torn off when she fell down the steps. The hunt was unavailing and after being attended by the surgeon, the woman, Mrs. G. Cornley, of the Bronx, went home minus about half an inch of flesh and cartilage. She was a handsome woman and probably will be disfigured for life. The surgeon had hoped to find the missing nose tip so that he could graft it in place.

Glasgow, Ky., April 11.—Little Grace M. Bartlett, the eleven-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James Bartlett, of Temple Hill, this county, was suddenly attacked by a mad cat Tuesday morning. Her mother heard her screams and ran to her assistance and succeeded in beating the cat off the child, but not until after it had bitten her in a horrible manner on the ankle. The cat left the Bartlett home and attacked H. E. Dorsey, biting him through the hand. After being frightened away from Mr. Dorsey, it ran to the home of Isaac Dickinson, where it was killed.

Mr. Dorsey and the little Bartlett girl were brought to Glasgow and the madstone was applied. The results of the wounds cannot yet be determined.

Washington, April 12.—Sidna Allen, for whom pomes have been scouring the hills of Virginia in connection with the Hillsville court tragedy, has been granted a new trial by the Circuit Court of Appeals of the Western District of North Carolina on a charge of perjury, of which he was convicted at Greensboro several months ago, according to advices to the secret service here.

The allegations grew out of a counterfeit case and Allen was sentenced by the District Court to two and a half years in the penitentiary. He is out on \$5,000 bail and had the Circuit Court of Appeals decided against him he would have become a fugitive from justice in this case today. His case will probably be called during the June term of court.

Cincinnati, April 12.—A strange story which resulted in John P. Ruch, Jr., aged twenty-two years, being divorced from his sister, Helen Hoffman Ruch, twenty-four, was related in the insolvency court here today. The brother and sister were married October 25, 1910, neither at the time knowing of the blood relationship between them. The discovery of the relationship was disclosed a few weeks ago and the action for a divorce followed.

It was explained to the court that the mistake was possible because of the fact that the mother, for a private reason, had hidden from the children the fact that they were

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brother and sister, allowing them to believe that the girl was only an adopted child. The husband was given the custody of their two children.

The petition for divorce, filed by the husband, was upon the formal ground of neglect. The divorce was granted upon that ground for the purpose of protecting the young couple, so far as possible, in the record.

The father and mother of the young couple were not in court when the hearing was held.

Experts from the State farm train believe the phosphate deposits near Georgetown may prove of great value to Kentucky agriculture.

The Allen gang, who shot up the Hillsville courthouse, killing several have decided they do not want a change of venue, and prefer to be tried in their home county.

A pension has been asked for Mrs. Sarah Brandon, of Martin's Ferry, Ohio, 114 years old and the mother of thirty-three children, with sixteen of her sons enlisting in the federal service during the war. As the facts are established and as Mrs. Brandon is helpless, there ought to be no exception to the pension asked.

Accompanied by his favorite pup, a hound, Editor Cap Mitchell, of the Shattuck (Okla.) Monitor, will walk to the Democratic National convention at Baltimore in June. He has not announced his route nor has the date of departure been made public. He is a supporter of one of the candidates for the Democratic Presidential nomination, presumably Clark from his taking a hound. He says he expects to make a number of political addresses along the way. He is a native of Missouri.

Lexington, Ky., April 13.—Three suits for sums aggregating \$75,000 were filed against the L. & N. Railroad Company today by Barton G. Harp, who asked damages of \$25,000 in each on account of the death of his wife, Mrs. Fannie Harp, and two children, Ruth and William Harp, who were injured fatally on November 2, 1911, by being struck by a train while crossing the railroad track at Houston, Bourbon county. It is alleged in the petition that a train operated by the defendant, while running negligently at an excessive rate of speed struck the buggy in which Mrs. Harp and the two children were crossing the track, injuring the three persons so severely that they died immediately.

Through two crevasses in the Mississippi River and another in its equally rampant tributary, the Arkansas, great volumes of muddy water are to-day rushing out over the lowlands on the west side of the big stream, destined to cover a

large section of Northeast Louisiana and a portion of the extreme southern part of Arkansas. For the next eight or ten days the raging waters, which late Friday tore their way through the restraining levees, will move southward through the Texas Valley of Louisiana, and finally return to the Mississippi at the intersection of the Red River, more than 160 miles by land from the upper crevasse and nearly 135 miles from the lower breach in the levee.

No less than twelve large parishes in Louisiana and two in Arkansas counties will have felt the effects of the flood waters before they again get back within the Mississippi's levees. Millions of acres of land will be inundated, although, for the most part, the overflowed territory will embrace untilled swamps.

"My little son had a very severe cold. I was recommended to try Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, and before a small bottle was finished he was as well as ever," writes Mrs. H. Silks, 29 Dowling Street, Sydney, Australia. This remedy is for sale by All dealers.

## HICKSVILLE.

The Sunday school on this creek is getting a'long very nicely under the management of Ed Jones.

There will be church and a baptizing at Compton's school house on Catt's fork next Sunday 21st.

Mr. Gordon Smith is very sick at this writing.

Herman Young and Charley Adams of Irish creek attended Sunday school at this place Sunday.

Miss Cammie Hayes and Claude Holbrook were business callers near this place last week.

Miss Hovie Pinkerton, a student of the Grayson Normal school is at home on a short vacation.

George Holbrook is doing good business selling goods at this place.

Miss Pomeila and Hattie Johnson attended Sunday school at Caney fork Sunday.

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## TO ELIMINATE SLEEPERS.

Under this caption the Courier-Journal of recent date has the following to say regarding the measure passed by the late Legislature increasing the fees of County Clerks:

One of the laws passed by the late Legislature was a measure increasing the fees of County Clerks for making out tax bills. It has been the subject of much discussion, and in some instances has been denounced as a "joker" and a "graft measure." Subsequent explanations are showing it up in a more favorable light.

The bill was introduced by Senator Frost, of Graves county and it allows the clerks about twice as much as they have received heretofore for making out tax books. Under the law the clerk is to retain a stub in his office corresponding to every tax list that is turned over to the Sheriff, so that when the Sheriff comes to settle he must do so according to the clerk's stub book. The Frankfort News-Journal quotes Representative Hamilton, of Franklin county, as saying that the bill was solely intended to prevent Sheriffs from carrying "sleepers," a practice that has been followed in some counties for years to the personal profit of the Sheriffs and to the financial detriment of the State and the counties. In other words, it is expected to prevent the Sheriff leaving names of taxpayers off his books and collecting and appropriating to his own use the taxes collected from such omitted taxpayers.

The new law will cost, it is estimated, about \$50,000 a year, half of which will be paid by the State and half by the counties. If it will stop unscrupulous Sheriffs from cheating the State by the "sleeper" method it probably will be worth many times more every year than it costs. Kentucky's entire assessment system is so crude as to invite fraud of various kinds, and until some more businesslike method is devised it will be utterly impossible to eliminate error and graft.

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Eastbound, Main Line. Leave Ashland, express, daily, 2:25 p. m., 1:30 a. m., 12:35 a. m. Local, daily to Huntington, 12:46 p. m.; runs to Hinton week days. Local, week days, to Huntington, 8:45 p. m., 4:32 a. m., daily. Virginia Railway points via Deepwater.  
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